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SUBJECT: THIRD COMMITTEE--ITEM 75, DECADE FOR WOMEN; DONAUPARK

1. SUMMARY. GEORGE DAVIDSON, UN UNDER-SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT, CAME TO THIRD COMMITTEE ON DEC 6 TO EXPLAIN THE BACKGROUND OF THE SYG'S REPORT ON THE MOVE TO DONAUPARK (A/31/34) IN RESPONSE TO SEVERAL QUESTIONS RAISED BY THE PHILIPPINES, SECONDED BY JAMAICA, MEXICO, AND INDONESIA. END SUMMARY.

2. THE PHILIPPINES ON DEC 5 IN ITS STATEMENT ON WOMEN BROUGHT UP THE QUESTION OF DONAUPARK ACCOMMODATIONS AND WANTED TO KNOW WHY THE CENTRE FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND HUMANITARIAN AFFAIRS (CSDHA) WAS CHOSEN TO BE MOVED TO VIENNA AND THE CRITERIA AND STANDARDS USED IN THIS DECISION. THE PHILIPPINE DELEGATE (SHAHANI) ALSO QUESTIONED THE PROGRAMATIC IMPLICATIONS OF SUCH A MOVE ON THE DECADE FOR WOMEN AND THE WORK PROGRAM OF THE SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT DIVISION. SHE EXPRESSED CONCERN AS TO THE EFFECT OF A MOVE ON THE PROGRAM FOR THE DECADE FOR WOMEN WHICH IS JUST BEING LAUNCHED, AND "WHAT WOULD THE TRANSFER MEAN TO THE UNIFIED APPROACH TO DEVELOPMENT OF THE SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT DIVISION IS SPLIT FROM THE ECONOMIC COMPONENTS OF THE SECRETARIAT?" SHAHANI SAID THAT WITH THE MOVE OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS DIVISION TO GENEVA, THE

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MOVING OF THE SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT DIVISION WOULD AFFECT

THE HEART OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE. THE TRANSFER OF CSDHA, INCLUDING ITS PROMOTION OF EQUALITY OF MEN AND WOMEN BRANCH MEANS THAT NONE OF THE SUBSTANTIVE OFFICES RESPONSIBLE FOR THE THIRD COMMITTEE WILL BE LOCATED AT HQ.

3. DAVIDSON PRESENTED THE HISTORICAL BACKGROUND OF THE SYG'S REPORT. HE STRESSED THAT THE EARLIER, SEPARATE DEPT ON SOCIAL AFFAIRS (PRE-1954) "DID NOT MAINTAIN ITS STRENGTH AND HEALTH OVER THE YEARS" AND IN 1954 A NEW DEPT OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS WAS CREATED. NOW, ECONOMIC CONCERNS ARE OF DOMINANT INTEREST IN THE UN. THEREFORE, IT SEEMED LOGICAL TO STRENGTHEN THE SOCIAL POLICY COMPONENTS, AND THAT IT CAN BEST BE DONE BY BRINGING UNDER ONE ROOF (DONAUPARK) THE CSDHA, THE GENEVA OFFICE OF THE DIVISION OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS, UNRISD WITH THE VIENNA-BASED EUROPEAN SOCIAL WELFARE TRAINING INSTITUTE. THIS FUNCTIONAL CONSOLIDATION OF SOCIAL POLICY COMPONENTS WILL STRENGTHEN SOCIAL POLICY FORMULATION.

4. COMMENT. MR. DAVIDSON MADE NO MENTION OF THE UNIT OF SOCIAL POLICY AND PLANNING CURRENTLY WITH THE CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT PLANNING, PROJECTIONS AND POLICIES (CDPPP) WHICH INCLUDES THE UNIFIED APPROACH TO DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL INDICATORS, REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF THE SOCIAL ASPECTS OF THE IDS, INCOME DISTRIBUTION, ETC., WHICH WILL PRESUMABLY REMAIN IN NY AS PART OF THE CDPPP. END COMMENT

5. FYI. FIVE OF THE 11 SUBSTANTIVE AGENDA ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE FORTHCOMING 25TH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN GENEVA IN JANUARY HAVE BEEN PREPARED BY THE CDPPP. END FYI.
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